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FOR: DECORATIVE MATERIALS HAVING GEOMETRIC PATTERNS AND

PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office communication dated September 11, 2002, please amend the patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

A decorative material comprising geometric patterns on a surface thereof 1. wherein the geometric patterns are formed from at least two contrasting thermoset compositions:

> (a) wherein the geometric patterns are three dimensional comprising at least one geometric shape and extend inwardly from a surface of the material, and

wherein the visual appearance of the geometric patterns vary due to different cross sections of the geometric shape of (a) being exposed on the surface of the material.

Cancel claims 10 and 11.

(b)

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the objections and rejections of the claims set forth in the outstanding Office action. Claims 1 to 9 are under consideration.

Applicants confirm that an election of Group I, claims 1 to 9, was made. Applicants reserve the right for filing of a divisional patent application for claims 10 and 11.

Claim 1 has been amended by replacing "having" with -- comprising --.

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